



Wednesday 23 December

CORONAVIRUS – JOINT RESPONSE GROUP

Return to Matches Protocol Update

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- Updated to Third Edition
- Specific date of issue confirmed

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- Definition of Stadium Zoning numbers between a Premiership club and club from a lower division within cleared individuals section.

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- Match day Red zone number for players/staff updated as a maximum of 35 within cleared individuals table.
- Match day Amber zone number for scouts updated as a maximum of 11 within cleared individuals table.
- Match day Red zone number for cleaning staff included within cleared individuals table.

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- Match day access for club social media officer (1 x Home and 1 x Away team) updated from Amber zone to Red zone within cleared individuals table.
- Match day access for 2nd press officer in Red zone (Home team) within cleared individuals table.
- Match day access for visually impaired supporter service in Amber zone within cleared individuals table.

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- Broadcast and Media attendance totals updated as follows:
 - Numbers Summary
 - Live TV matches: up to 96
 - Non-live matches: up to 51
 - Host broadcast for live TV matches now 45 (Red zone 3, Amber zone 32, Green zone 10); Floor Manager x 1 added to Information.
 - BBC Radio live match amber number should be 6 to match total number column.
 - Non-rights holder photographers now 6; '2 x pool/agency' removed.
 - Non-rights holders (written, radio, online) press now 20.

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- Updated Scottish Government guidance on close contact definition whilst travelling by team coach within travel planning for key personnel considerations.

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- Testing heading changed to Temperature testing

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- Bullet point on importance of ventilation in changing facilities along with link to Sportscotland guidance within operation of changing facilities considerations.
- Post-match food for players allowed in a separate well ventilated and secure room, rather than in changing room within operation of changing facilities considerations.

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- Designated area within Amber zone for up to 10 unstripped players, physically distanced and if indoors, in a well ventilated and secure room within setting up and operation of technical area considerations.
- Post-match training for unused subs and players with limited minutes once the field of play is completely clear. No use of changing rooms until they are completely clear (home team only) within pitch based activity considerations.
- Warning on close contact during penalty shoot outs within pitch based activity considerations.

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- Updated text – All set up and rigging must be completed by the end of MD (– 1) unless otherwise agreed between host Club, host broadcaster and SPFL within important changes for broadcast operations considerations.

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- Media room use to be risk assessed by club, any internal room used should be well ventilated and capacity determined by 2m physical distancing within press area considerations.
- Post-match press conference held within internal room, capacity determined by 2m physical distancing and face masks mandatory within press area considerations.
- Updated text – SPFL stadia can accommodate up to 6 external photographers (in addition to up to 4 Club photographers) for behind closed doors matches, subject to the following within matchday photographer access considerations.

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- Mandatory that all matchday personnel complete a Personal Health Questionnaire on the morning of the match and have their temperature checked on arrival (This previously said “it is recommended”).
- Reiterated 2m physical distancing protocol within preparation without use of hotel accommodation considerations.